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Doug Roll, Mayor City of Libby 952 E. Spruce Street Libby, Montana 59923

> Re: Libby Asbestos Superfund Site Operable Unit 1 – former Export Plant property Request for Access

Dear Mayor Roll:

Thank you and City Council for meeting with EPA staff earlier this month to discuss finalizing the remedial design for the above-referenced property and granting EPA access to conduct the remediation work this spring.

We understand that you would like to move forward with remediation of the property as soon as possible. You have also indicated that a short delay to the schedule is necessary to allow the City to complete their engineering work with respect to a preliminary drainage and grading plan, the location of planned utility corridors, and the location and approach of the access road. We have appreciated the opportunity to work with WGM Group, your engineering firm, and look forward to another meeting with you on April 12th to reach agreement on the design. We anticipate that a final design will be ready by the end of April which can be used as the basis for the City's consent for access.

The City has also indicated that it wishes to conduct the final restoration of the property through a cooperative agreement with EPA. By the week of April 4th, we will have an agreement, including a detailed scope of work, drafted and available for your review.

Thank you again for your continued cooperation and assistance as we move toward remediating this property and returning it to productive use.

Sincerely,

Bill Murray, Director

Superfund Remedial Program

Libby City Council Jim Hammons, City of Libby Andy Lensink, ENF-L cc: